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Dear Mr. Bedan:

QUARRY BULK WASTE REMOVAL, WELDON SPRING SITE

Pursuant to USEPA's April 15, 1988 letter regarding action at the Quarry, the U. S. Department of Energy will comply with the USEPA's determination that the removal of Quarry bulk wastes should be handled as an operable unit remedial action involving source control. This is per Section 300.68(c) of the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan (NCP), under the authority of Section 104(a)(1) of CERCLA, as amended by SARA.

As we have discussed at recent meetings, the DOE intends to conduct this remedial action according to the enclosed plan which sets forth the requirements and conditions for carrying out this activity. The plan comprises the following major points which we understand are generally agreeable to the USEPA and the MDNR.

- o The action will be documented as a Focused Feasibility Study;
- o Additional characterization will not be conducted prior to removal of the bulk waste;
- o A preliminary risk evaluation will be prepared;
- The removed wastes will be temporarily stored at the Chemical Plant area in a storage facility designed to prevent the migration of contaminants;
- o The extent of removal will be technology-based; and,
- o After the bulk waste removal, a comprehensive RI/FS will then be conducted for the Quarry and vicinity.

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In order to confirm that we have a good agreement, USEPA's and MDNR's review and comments concerning the enclosed plan would be appreciated.

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to call. We look forward to working closely to expedite this activity.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: As stated

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